Contagious Diseases among Students and Government Servants.

75. MR. C. J. CURIEN: (*a*) Are not the Government aware that, among those attending educational institutions and other institutions attached to the various departments of the State, there are some who are suffering from contagious diseases?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to make arrangements for the medical examination of students as well as officers in Government service at frequent intervals with a view to the diseases not spreading?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) Government have been considering the question of instituting a scheme for the medical inspection of school children and a draft G. O. has been published in the Gazette inviting public criticism. A G. O. in the matter will be issued shortly.

In regard to the medical examination of Government servants, a satisfactory medical certificate has to be produced by persons on entertainment to the public service. Government do not consider it necessary to order a periodical medical examination of Government servants.

Grant of Copies of Ozhugu, Vilangiper, etc.

76. MR. C. J. CURIEN: Will the Government be pleased to state whether any circular or order has been issued by them or by any of the Dewan Peishkars in 1921 prohibiting the grant of copies of *ozhugu*, *vilangiper*, *anuvu*, etc., of lands to private individuals who apply for the same, and, if so, the reasons for withholding such copies?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: No order has been issued prohibiting the grant of copies of *ozhugu*, *vilangiper*, *anuvu*, etc., of lands, to parties. On the other hand, provision has been made in rule 5 (8) of the Rules for the grant of copies of revenue records, dated the 1st November, 1922, and published in the Gazette dated the 29th Tulam, 1098, for the grant of copies of all settlement and pre-settlement records which include *ozhugus* and other revenue accounts.

Christian Clerks in the General and Revenue Secretariat.

77. MR. C. J. CURIEN: Will the Government be pleased to furnish a statement showing the total number of clerks in the General and Revenue Secretariat and the number of Christian clerks among them?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: The statement * required is laid on the table.

Location of the Offices of the Development Departments in Quilon.

78. MR. K. P. RAMAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to locate the offices of all the Development Departments at Quilon, especially in view of the fact that the office of the Economic Development Board has now been located there?

* *Vide* Appendix III—page 239.

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[Mr. M. N. Pillai.]

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: The answer is in the negative.

Land Revenue Commissioner and Appointment of Deputy Tahsildars.

79. MR. V. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Land Revenue Commissioner has appointed a good number of Brahmins as Deputy Tahsildars in the month of Karkadakam last, overlooking the claims of others?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: Five appointments of Deputy Tahsildars were made by the Land Revenue Commissioner in Karkadakam, 1097. The holders of two of these appointments were Brahmins. No legitimate claims were overlooked.

Appointments in the Land Revenue Department.

80. MR. M. N. PILLAI: (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have issued any general instructions as to the principles to be followed in giving promotions at the time of the recent general reorganisation of the Land Revenue department?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to furnish the Council with a statement, in the annexed form, of all the appointments made in the reorganisation of the above department, inclusive of fresh appointments and postings?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to furnish a statement showing the caste-war distribution of the clerical staff of the Land Revenue Department just before the reorganisation and of the supernumeraries after the reorganisation on the first day of Chingam, 1098?

(*d*) Will the Government be pleased to furnish a list showing the name and service of the clerks who were retained in the recent reorganisation though they have put in less than seven years' service and of those who have put in more than seven years, but who were thrown out as supernumeraries on the first day of Chingam, 1098?

(*e*) Will the Government be pleased to furnish a statement showing the names of those, if any, appointed as clerks and head accountants in the recent reorganisation, who had no permanent appointments before the reorganisation?

(*f*) Is there any rule laid down by the Government to the effect that the second grade clerks in the Land Revenue Commissioner's office and in the Division Cutcherries should be graduates only? If so, has it been strictly observed?

(*g*) (i) Is it a fact that the Land Revenue Commissioner permanently filled a few Deputy Tahsildars' posts, in contravention of Government orders, after the middle of Karkadakam, 1097, just before the reorganisation?

(ii) Has the matter been brought to the notice of the Government?

(iii) If so, what action has been taken by them?

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